combination, and through the use of civil protection orders removing the abuser from the family household, (ii) the necessity and impact of a mandatory reporting requirement relating to incidents of family violence, particularly abuse of elderly persons)<sup>1</sup>, (iii) the effectiveness of providing safety and support to maternal and child victims of family violence as a way to eliminate the abuse experienced by children in such situations, (iv) identification of intervention approaches to child abuse prevention services which appear to be successful in preventing child abuse where both mother and child are abused, (v) effective and appropriate treatment services for children where both mother and child are abused, and (vi) the individual and situational factors leading to the end of violent and abusive behavior by persons who commit acts of family violence, including such factors as history of previous violence and the legal and service interventions received, and (B) make a complete study and investigation (in consultation with the National Institute on Aging) of the national incidence of abuse, neglect, and exploitation of elderly persons, including a determination of the extent to which incidents of such abuse, neglect, and exploitation are increasing in number or severity; and

(3) provide for the training of personnel and provide technical assistance in the conduct of programs for the prevention and treatment of family violence.

(Pub. L. 98–457, title III,  $\S305$ , Oct. 9, 1984, 98 Stat. 1760; Pub. L. 102–295, title III,  $\S313$ , May 28, 1992, 106 Stat. 204; Pub. L. 108–36, title IV,  $\S\S402$ , 415(4), June 25, 2003, 117 Stat. 825, 830.)

### AMENDMENTS

2003—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 108–36, §402, substituted "1 or more employees" for "an employee", "of this chapter, including carrying out evaluation and monitoring under this chapter" for "of this chapter", and "Any individual" for "The individual".

Subsec. (b)(2)(A). Pub. L. 108-36, §415(4), substituted "provide for research into" for "provide for research, and into".

1992—Subsec. (b)(2)(A). Pub. L. 102–295 struck out "into the causes of family violence" after "provide for research", inserted "most effective" before "prevention", and added cls. (iii) to (vi).

# § 10405. Evaluation

Every 2 years, the Secretary shall review, evaluate, and report to the appropriate Committees of the Congress, as to the effectiveness of the programs administered and operated pursuant to this chapter, particularly in relation to repeated incidents of family violence. Such report shall also include a summary of the documentation provided to the Secretary under section 10402(a)(2)(B) through 10402(a)(2)(F) of this title.

(Pub. L. 98-457, title III, §306, Oct. 9, 1984, 98 Stat. 1760; Pub. L. 102-295, title III, §314, May 28, 1992, 106 Stat. 204; Pub. L. 108-36, title IV, §403, June 25, 2003, 117 Stat. 825.)

#### AMENDMENTS

2003—Pub. L. 108–36 substituted "Every 2 years," for "Not later than two years after the date on which funds are obligated under section 10402(a) of this title for the first time after October 9, 1984, and every two years thereafter."

1992—Pub. L. 102–295 inserted "and every two years thereafter," and substituted "documentation" for "assurances" and "10402(a)(2)(B) through 10402(a)(2)(F)" for "10402(a)(2)(F)".

# § 10406. Discrimination prohibited

# (a) Recipients of Federal financial assistance; types of discrimination prohibited

(1) For the purpose of applying the prohibitions against discrimination on the basis of age under the Age Discrimination Act of 1975 [42 U.S.C. 6101 et seq.], on the basis of handicap under section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 [29 U.S.C. 794], on the basis of sex under title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972 [20 U.S.C. 1681 et seq.], or on the basis of race, color, or national origin under title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 [42 U.S.C. 2000d et seq.], programs and activities funded in whole or in part with funds made available under this part are considered to be programs and activities receiving Federal financial assistance.

(2) No person shall on the ground of sex or religion be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subject to discrimination under, any program or activity funded in whole or in part with funds made available under this chapter. Nothing in this chapter shall require any such program or activity to include any individual in any program or activity without taking into consideration that individual's sex in those certain instances where sex is a bona fide occupational qualification or programmatic factor reasonably necessary to the normal operation of that particular program or activity. The Secretary shall enforce the provisions of the preceding sentence in accordance with section 602 of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 [42 U.S.C. 2000d-1]. Section 603 of such Act [42 U.S.C. 2000d-2] shall apply with respect to any action taken by the Secretary to enforce such sentence. This paragraph shall not be construed as affecting any other legal remedy.

# (b) Notification and request to secure compliance; referral to Attorney General or other action by Secretary

Whenever the Secretary finds that a State or other entity that has received financial assistance under this chapter has failed to comply with a provision of law referred to in subsection (a)(1) of this section, with subsection (a)(2) of this section, or with an applicable regulation (including one prescribed to carry out subsection (a)(2) of this section), the Secretary shall notify the chief executive officer of the State and shall request such officer to secure compliance. If, within a reasonable period of time, not to exceed sixty days, the chief executive officer fails or refuses to secure compliance, the Secretary may—

(1) refer the matter to the Attorney General of the United States with a recommendation that an appropriate civil action be instituted,

 $<sup>^1\</sup>mathbf{So}$  in original. The closing parenthesis probably should follow "interventions received".

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> See References in Text note below.

(2) exercise the powers and functions provided by title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 [42 U.S.C. 2000d et seq.], the Age Discrimination Act of 1975 [42 U.S.C. 6101 et seq.], sections 504 and 505 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 [29 U.S.C. 794, 794a], or title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972 [20 U.S.C. 1681 et seq.], as may be applicable, or

(3) take such other action as may be provided by law.

## (c) Civil action by Attorney General

When a matter is referred to the Attorney General pursuant to subsection (b)(1) of this section, or whenever the Attorney General has reason to believe that a State or an entity is engaged in a pattern or practice in violation of a provision of law referred to in subsection (a)(1) of this section or in violation of subsection (a)(2) of this section, the Attorney General may bring a civil action in any appropriate district court of the United States for such relief as may be appropriate, including injunctive relief.

(Pub. L. 98-457, title III, §307, Oct. 9, 1984, 98 Stat. 1761.)

### REFERENCES IN TEXT

The Age Discrimination Act of 1975, referred to in subsecs. (a)(1), (b)(2), is title III of Pub. L. 94–135, Nov. 28, 1975, 89 Stat. 728, as amended, which is classified generally to chapter 76 (§6101 et seq.) of this title. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see Short Title note set out under section 6101 of this title and Tables.

The Education Amendments of 1972, referred to in subsecs. (a)(1) and (b)(2), is Pub. L. 92–318, June 23, 1972, 86 Stat. 235, as amended. Title IX of the Act, known as the Patsy Takemoto Mink Equal Opportunity in Education Act, is classified principally to chapter 38 (§1681 et seq.) of Title 20, Education. For complete classification of title IX to the Code, see Short Title note set out under section 1681 of Title 20 and Tables.

The Civil Rights Act of 1964, referred to in subsecs. (a)(1), (b)(2), is Pub. L. 88–352, July 2, 1964, 78 Stat. 241, as amended. Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 is classified generally to subchapter V ( $\S 2000d$  et seq.) of this title. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see note set out under section 2000a of this title and Tables.

This part, referred to in subsec. (a)(1), probably was intended to be a reference to this title, meaning title III of Pub. L. 98–457 which enacted this chapter, because title III was not divided into parts and because similar references to programs or activities funded in whole or in part with funds made available, referred to "this title".

# § 10407. Information and technical assistance centers

# (a) Purpose and grants

### (1) Purpose

It is the purpose of this section to provide resource information, training, and technical assistance to Federal, State, and Indian tribal agencies, as well as to local domestic violence programs and to other professionals who provide services to victims of domestic violence.

### (2) Grants

From the amounts appropriated under this chapter, the Secretary shall award grants to private nonprofit organizations for the establishment and maintenance of one national re-

source center (as provided for in subsection (b) of this section) and not to exceed seven special issue resource centers (as provided for in subsection (c) of this section) focusing on one or more issues of concern to domestic violence victims.

### (b) National resource center

The national resource center established under subsection (a)(2) of this section—

- (1) shall offer resource, policy, collaboration, and training assistance to Federal, State, and local government agencies, to domestic violence service providers, and to other professionals and interested parties on issues pertaining to domestic violence, including issues relating to children who witness domestic violence; and
- (2) shall maintain a central resource library in order to collect, prepare, analyze, and disseminate information and statistics, and analyses of the information and statistics, relating to the incidence and prevention of family violence (particularly the prevention of repeated incidents of violence) and the provision of immediate shelter and related assistance.

### (c) Special issue resource centers

The special issue resource centers established under subsection (a)(2) of this section shall provide information, training and technical assistance to State and local domestic violence service providers, and shall specialize in at least one of the following areas of domestic violence service, prevention, or law:

- (1) Criminal justice response to domestic violence, including court-mandated abuser treatment.
- (2) Improving the response of Child Protective Service agencies to battered mothers of abused children.
- (3) Child custody issues in domestic violence cases.
- (4) The use of the self-defense plea by domestic violence victims.
- (5) Improving interdisciplinary health care responses and access to health care resources for victims of domestic violence.
- (6) Improving access to and the quality of legal representation for victims of domestic violence in civil litigation, including the issuance and enforcement of protection orders.
- (7) Providing technical assistance and training to State domestic violence coalitions.

## (d) Eligibility

To be eligible to receive a grant under this section an entity shall be a private nonprofit organization that—

- (1) focuses primarily on domestic violence;
- (2) provides documentation to the Secretary demonstrating experience working directly on issues of domestic violence, particularly in the specific subject area for which it is applying;
- (3) include on its advisory boards representatives from domestic violence programs in the region who are geographically and culturally diverse; and
- (4) demonstrate the strong support of domestic violence advocates from across the country and the region for their designation as the national or a special issue resource center.